

## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 537

By Haynes

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Felicia Figlarz Anchor for meritorious service to the citizens of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should salute those citizens, who through their extraordinary efforts have distinguished themselves as community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, one such noteworthy person is Felicia Anchor, who has worked tirelessly for thirty years with numerous charitable organizations; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anchor earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in History and English from Ohio University and her Master of Science degree from George Peabody College of Vanderbilt University; she also holds a Certificate in Nonprofit Management from the Center for Nonprofit Management; and

WHEREAS, beyond her formal education, Mrs. Anchor's most significant learning experience has been through her family history; both of her parents are Holocaust survivors, and Mrs. Anchor was born in the Bergen-Belsen Displaced Person's camp in Germany after World War II ended, one of two thousand children born to survivor families under these unique conditions; and

WHEREAS, Felicia Anchor has parlayed her rich experience and education into a lifetime of leadership; she has served on the Second Generation Advisory Board to the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum and its Education Committee, the Executive Committee of the International Council of Jewish Women, the Executive Board of the Association of Jewish Family and Children's Services, the Board of the Leadership Nashville Alumni Association, and the Executive Board of the Jewish Council of Public Affairs; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anchor is the Chair of the Tennessee Holocaust Commission, First Vice-Chair of the Nashville Metro Human Relations Commission, Chair of the Nashville

Holocaust Memorial, and past Vice President of the National Council of Jewish Women, in which capacity she was responsible for Leadership Development and Strategic Planning; and

WHEREAS, in addition to her work with these vital organizations, Mrs. Anchor has still found time to lend her talents to such notable causes as United Way, Crittendon Services, FEMA Board of Middle Tennessee, Leadership Nashville, National Conference for Community and Justice, Tennessee Women's Economic Council Foundation, the Jewish Federation, and Temple Ohabai Sholom; and

WHEREAS, among the most notable of Felicia Anchor's achievements are her helping to create the CASA child advocacy program in Tennessee and the "Children's First" license plate, which funds programs for child abuse prevention; she also took the lead in the funding and building of Nashville's Holocaust Memorial and in bringing the Anne Frank exhibit to Nashville; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, Mrs. Anchor has been honored to receive numerous national and local awards and was inducted into the Nashville Academy of Women of Achievement; she also received the 2006 Humanitarian Award from the National Conference for Community and Justice; and

WHEREAS, Felicia Anchor epitomizes the spirit and commitment that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Anchor is most grateful for the love and companionship she shares with her husband, Dr. Kenneth Anchor, and her two daughters, Jessica and Stephanie; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly finds it appropriate to pause in its deliberations to acknowledge and applaud Felicia Anchor for her dedication to the State of Tennessee and its citizens; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Felicia Figlarz Anchor for her meritorious service to the State of Tennessee and extend to her our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

